



TOLL BRIDGE PROGRAM OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

CALTRANS BAY AREA TOLL AUTHORITY CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

April 6, 2007, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Training Room, New Benicia-Martinez Bridge Administration Building
70 Mococo Road, Martinez, CA

Attendees: TBPOC Members: Will Kempton, Steve Heminger, John Barna (via phone);
PMT Members: Tony Anziano, Andy Fremier, Stephen Maller;
Participants: Valerie Campbell, Michele DiFrancia, Kha Hoang, Beatriz Lacson, Richard Land, Peter Lee, Brian Maroney, Rod McMillan, Bart Ney, Dina Noel, Randy Rentschler, Judis Santos, Bijan Sartipi, Jon Tapping, Wendy Villenave, Cathy Zmuda

Convened: 10:05 AM

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<p>1. CHAIR'S REPORT</p> <p>The Chair noted the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Alameda Superior Court has overturned the court action on the prevailing wage of tugboat operators which could translate to a \$20M payment. The Department aims to pursue an appeal of this action.• The TBPOC is to be kept apprised of out-of-state-travel, housing and operations in China.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The Committee requested that the PMT provide regular updates.○ The PMT to meet with the Chair to identify ways to minimize expenses for China travel.○ There is an opportunity to learn from the experiences of other U.S. agencies that are working or have worked in or with China, such as the Ports of Oakland and Los Angeles.• The Treasure Island ramps issue, while not a TBPOC business, has	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PMT to provide regular updates of China operations.• PMT to meet with Chair to identify ways to minimize expenses for China travel.

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<p>ancillary implications on the East Span project. The ramp design impacts the YBI viaduct. The Department has relayed to the City and County of San Francisco that accommodations might be made, but not to the detriment of project cost and schedule.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Next week has been designated Transportation Week. The Governor announced that the state has exceeded the \$10B construction mark, the highest milestone ever achieved in the largest transportation program in the country (pre-bonds).	
<p>2. CONSENT CALENDAR BATA presented the following items for approval:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">a. February 15, 2007 Meeting Minutesb. March 5, 2007 Conference Call Minutesc. 2007 TBPOC Meeting Calendar	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The TBPOC APPROVED the minutes for the February 15, 2007 meeting and the March 5, 2007 conference call, and the 2007 TBPOC Meeting Calendar.
<p>3. MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT a. BATA presented the draft March 2007 Monthly Progress Report for information.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• PMT approval through delegated TBPOC authority is anticipated after appropriate reviews and final comments are incorporated.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For the record, the TBPOC APPROVED the February 2007 Monthly Progress Report through their respective PMT members on March 6, 2007.
<p>4. PROGRAM ISSUES a. 2007 East Span Strategic Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The PMT provided an overview of the Strategic Plan which included a mission statement, goals, objectives and action plans. The Plan was revised to focus on three key goals: Goal 1: Accelerate schedule to seismic safety earlier than the current schedule of September 2013;	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The TBPOC APPROVED the East Span Strategic Plan with the following condition:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Re-prioritize the order of Goals 2 and 3, i.e., make fiscal responsibility as Goal 2 and positive relationships as Goal 3.

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<p>Goal 2: Maintain positive relationships, communications, and outreach with the public and stakeholders to ensure smooth implementation; and Goal 3: Maintain fiscal responsibility while supporting schedule acceleration and delivery of the program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments/discussion included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The plan is a living document and will be updated on an annual basis. The PMT plans to provide monthly/quarterly progress reports to enable the TBPOC to track performance in implementing the three key goals. ○ Note that the baseline schedule is one quantitative performance measure. It is important to combine quantitative measurement with qualitative evaluation, such as experience, knowledge, and spending time communicating and listening to the Contractor. ○ The project is on schedule and consistent with the current approved schedule to open the East Span in 2013. ○ ABF is aware of the TBPOC expectation to accelerate the Current Schedule and to implement the Opportunity Schedule. To this end, tremendous effort is being exerted on streamlining processes, pushing to find better ways to work, effecting quick problem turnarounds, accelerating the China schedule, etc. ○ Focus on acceleration opportunities with the fabrication in China. Seize an 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PMT to inform the TBPOC on what is going on in implementing the Strategic Plan, be transparent in reporting, convey what ABF communicates, and provide the costs and tradeoffs. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ PMT to provide monthly/quarterly updates to track performance in implementing the three strategic goals.

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<p>opportunity where there is one.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ It is important to acknowledge a problem where it exists, to fix it and report it. ○ When do we convey to the public our acceleration efforts? Possibly at the end of this calendar year. <p>b. Pre-Existing Program Obligations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Department gave a brief update on the extended use of Pier 7. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Options being considered on extending the use include: (1) reverting back to the Department's original deed which the City of Oakland will likely challenge, or (2) negotiating with the City of Oakland an extension of a certain number of years for a specified amount of dollars. ○ Define what else the Program needs from the City of Oakland (e.g., Gateway Park), and identify what the Program can offer (e.g., small business opportunities) to steer negotiations. <p>c. Update on Cameras Linked to Web-Site</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Department reported that the CHP has recommended that the cameras not be turned on in real time due to concerns, not with construction details, but those related to security over patterns of behavior that the cameras might reveal. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Department to present further details at the next TBPOC meeting (May 1st). • The Chairman to discuss respective goals, objectives and concerns with CHP Commissioner Mike Brown. • PMT to develop options with pros and cons; address how we go about achieving our goal of transparency while at the same time addressing security objectives.
<p>5. SAN FRANCISCO-OAKLAND BAY BRIDGE UPDATES</p> <p>a. Yerba Buena Island</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Labor Day Outreach Action Plan for YBI Viaduct Replacement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PIO presented the plan for 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The TBPOC APPROVED going forward, beginning Monday, April 9, with the message that further analysis is

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<p>TBPOC approval. A computer simulation preview of what is expected to happen during the Labor Day Weekend closure of the bridge was provided.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comments/discussion included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ State upfront why the closure is happening. Communicate to the public that the replacement of the viaduct will advance seismic safety for this portion of the East Span in 2007. ○ Connect with the success of the West Approach closure but also differentiate in that once started, the work must be completed before traffic can be allowed back on the bridge. ○ The contractor CCM has indicated they can do the work in 3 days with 5 hours float. ○ Should there be a need for a 4th day, explore using Friday, instead of Tuesday which is a higher productivity day (when people will be going back to work and children will be returning to school). <p>b. Self-Anchored Suspension Superstructure</p> <p>1) China Organization Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Chairman of the Board and Chief Financial Officer of ZPMC are visiting the Bay Area on Sunday, April 29. ABF will be hosting a dinner in their honor with members of the TBPOC, PMT, and invited guests (BATA and CTC to determine the availability of their respective chairs for this occasion). A site visit of the Bay Bridge has been proposed. The visitors are traveling with a translator. ABF and the Department will provide their own translators. 	<p>being done to determine if full closure of the San Francisco Bay Bridge over the Labor Day Weekend 2007 will take 3 or 4 days, and that the public will be informed as events unfold.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PIO, starting with the April 9 outreach meetings, to solicit feedback from elected officials, chambers of commerce and businesses, and gauge their reaction to a possible 4th day of closure.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Department gave a brief update: a draft staffing plan has been developed; basic requirements and major issues have been identified and are being addressed. <p>2) Overseas Fabrication Site Visit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• BATA reported that the trip to China to inspect the fabrication facilities in Changxing Island and Nantong, and to review the draft fabrication procedures at the ZPMC offices in Shanghai, was impressive.• While ZPMC's primary business is container cranes, they now have plans of becoming a world leading steel bridge fabricator. The company has an unprecedented resource capability.• Communication is crucial and will be a long-term challenge due to the translation and cultural differences. <p>c. Oakland Touchdown</p> <p>1) Addendum for Oakland Touchdown Contract #1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Department requested TBPOC approval – in concept, with final approval delegated to the PMT - to issue Addendum No. 3, not 2 as printed, which includes, among others, the following two most significant items.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Item 3 creates a specification that will provide for extended vehicular access to the Skyway after completion of the Skyway contract;○ Item 6 is a modification to the Owner-Controlled Insurance Program (OCIP) specification in the contract as advertised - to reflect the concerns of a number	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The TBPOC APPROVED Addendum No. 3 in concept, with final approval delegated to the PMT.

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of potential prime contractors.	
<p>6. NEW BENICIA-MARTINEZ BRIDGE</p> <p>a. Project Update</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Soffit Concrete Delamination <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Department requested TBPOC approval for CCO's (#166, 168, 169, 172, and 173) for soffit repairs for delaminations at three locations under the bridge, for an estimated cost of approximately \$5.8M to be funded from the existing new bridge contingency, with no impact to the overall project contingency. 2) Program Budget (no discussion) 3) Rehabilitation of Existing Bridge Deck (no discussion) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinate delivery of "A" job to ensure project starts work as soon as practicable after the new bridge opening. 4) Bridge Opening (media, celebration) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The consensus was that the bridge be opened at the earliest possible date, preferably before the Labor Day weekend, with Opening Day to be discussed in greater detail at a future TBPOC meeting. 5) Open Road Tolling (no discussion) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The TBPOC (with CTC Executive Director John Barna by proxy) APPROVED the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CCO's for repairs of delaminations on the new bridge; ○ Use of project contingency for deck rehabilitation of existing bridge; ○ New bridge opening schedule and ceremony concept.
<p>7. Other Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The walking tour of the New Benicia-Martinez Bridge toll plaza was cancelled. • It was suggested that the June 12th meeting of the TBPOC be held at Yerba Buena Island, either at the Nimitz House or the Coast Guard facilities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk of the TBPOC to make the appropriate arrangements for a meeting venue at Yerba Buena Island.

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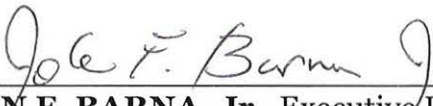
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